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## TAX PREPARER SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR DEFRAUDING IRS

HOUSTON, TX – Glen Alan Banks, convicted earlier this year of assisting in the preparation of a materially false individual tax return, has been sentenced to prison for his crime, United States Attorney Don DeGabrielle announced today.

On May 10, 2006, Banks pleaded guilty to willfully aiding and assisting in preparation of a U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, Form 1040, for a taxpayer for the tax year 2003, which was false and fraudulent as to material matters. The evidence proffered by the United States at this hearing proved Banks knew that the tax return contained materially false and fraudulent information in support of approximately \$92,000 in Schedule C (business income) losses to which the taxpayer was not entitled.

At a hearing held before United States District Court Judge Nancy F. Atlas on Monday, June 26, 2006, Banks was sentenced to three years in federal prison, and ordered to serve a one-year term of supervised release upon his discharge from prison.

Banks has been in federal custody since his arrest in April 2006.

The case was investigated by the Houston field office of the Criminal Investigation division of the Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Stephen Corso.

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